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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Sandrine DECOSTER et al.	
Application No.: 09/509,315	Group Art Unit: 1615
PCT Filed: September 9, 1998) Examiner: L. CHANNAVAJJALA
National Stage Entry: March 24, 2000	
For: DETERGENT COSMETIC (COMPOSITIONS AND USE (COMPOSITIONS AND US)))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 17 and 35 with amended claims 17 and 35 set forth below.

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1300 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 202.408.4000 Fax 202.408.4400 www.finnegan.com ______17. (Twice Amended) A detergent and conditioning composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable medium, a washing base and a conditioning system, wherein the conditioning system comprises at least one cationic polymer and at